## CLAIMS

- 1. A hair treatment composition, comprising:
- (a) a long-chain acylsulfonate type of anionic surfactant expressed by the following General Formula I:

$$R_1CO-X-(CH_2)_nSO_3M_1$$
 (I)

(wherein  $R_1CO-$  is a saturated or unsaturated fatty acid residue (acyl group) with an average carbon number of 10 to 22; X is -O- or -NR- (wherein R is a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group with a carbon number of 1 to 3);  $M_1$  is a hydrogen atom, an alkali metal, an alkaline earth metal, ammonium, or an organic amine; and n is an integer from 1 to 3);

- (b) a higher alcohol;
- (c) an anionic polymer; and
- (d) a reducing agent or an oxidant,

wherein the combined amount of component (a) and component (b) is 0.5 to 10 weight%, and the molar ratio of component (b) to component (a) is 2 to 10.

- 2. The hair treatment composition according to claim 1, wherein component (c) is contained in an amount of 0.05 to 3 weight% for the composition.
- 3. The hair treatment composition according to claim 1, wherein component(d) is an reducing agent and its combined amount is 1 to 19 weight% for the composition.

- 4. The hair treatment composition according to claim 1, wherein component(d) is an oxidant and its combined amount is 0.6 to 12 weight% for the composition.
- 5. The hair treatment composition according to claim 1, which is used in permanent wave agents, hair straightening agents, and retexturizing agents.
- 6. The hair treatment composition according to claim 2, which is used in permanent wave agents, hair straightening agents, and retexturizing agents.